

LOCAL MATTERS.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.—July 12, 1878. For the Middle Atlantic States partly cloudy and cloudy weather, with frequent rains, winds mostly from east to south, stationary or higher temperature and lower pressure.

CONSERVATIVE WARD MEETINGS.—The Conservative ward meetings were held last night to elect delegates to the Congressional Convention which meets in this city on August 28th.

First Ward.—In this ward the meeting was called to order by George Washington, one of the ward superintendents, on whose motion Hugh Latham was elected chairman. Mr. Latham, on taking the chair, recited the order of the Conservative committee as to the qualification of voters, allowing only known Conservatives, who were entitled to vote at the May election, or who will become of age before November next, to vote. He also suggested that the registration books were in the room, and a book containing a list of voters which was used at the last election, and they might be used in determining who were qualified voters.

Mr. George H. Robinson moved that the names of voters be given as they passed between the tellers, and be checked off on the books.

Major George Duffey said that under such a rule it would take all night to complete the voting. He moved, as a substitute, that the books be consulted only when a vote was objected to. A vote was taken on this substitute, but the chairman declared himself unable to determine the result.

A motion was then put, and carried, that the whole subject be laid upon the table.

Mr. Latham then announced the names of the delegates on the Neale ticket, and those on the Hutton ticket. He would rule that a red ticket counted for the Neale delegates, and a white ticket for the Hutton delegates, and the mere fact of a name being printed wrong would not be counted against the candidate. For instance, if W. A. Moore, instead of W. S. Moore, were on a ticket he would count it a Neale vote.

Mr. G. W. Rock—in which you would be entirely wrong.

Some other gentlemen suggested that the names of the delegates should be counted, as there might be bogus tickets.

Mr. Latham said that he did not propose that the voters of the first ward should be imposed upon by trickery, and he adhered to his former ruling. He also exhibited a plan of folding the ballots, to prevent duplication. Messrs. Charles Dearborn and James E. Veleth were appointed by the chairman as tellers, the former receiving the ballots and the latter counting the votes.

During the balloting, the votes of two gentlemen were challenged, but as the ballots were already in the box nothing could be done.

When the stream of voters had slackened, the chairman asked if all had voted, and declared the polls closed. Several voters came in from outside the room, and demanded the right to deposit their ballots, which was allowed.

The chairman then requested that some one at the door announce that the polls were to be closed.

Mr. G. W. Harrison moved that the polls be kept open for twenty minutes, but the motion was not put before the meeting.

The chairman declared the polls closed, but almost immediately there were cries that more voters were coming from the outside, and several voters came into the room holding up red or Neale tickets. The Chair, however, decided that they could not be received, and the tellers, at the suggestion of several gentlemen near the table, proceeded to count the tickets, to see if they agreed in number with the persons voting.

In doing this, one of the tellers picked up two Neale tickets, not twisted, one of which apparently dropped from the other; these he handed to the chairman, who laid them aside. The counting then proceeded, and the voters recorded the tellers calling Neale or Hutton as the tickets were red or white.

After the other tickets had been counted, the chairman decided that two of Mr. Neale's handbills (which were identical with the tickets, except that they were printed on white paper) should be counted; also that a Neale ticket which had been scratched, and the names of Gen. Hutton and his delegates inserted, should be counted for the latter. The friends of Mr. Neale then demanded that the two tickets which had been laid aside should be counted.

The chairman said that he had told them out as folded together.

This gave rise to much confusion and dispute, both parties talking at once.

The chairman finally decided that Gen. Hutton's delegates had received 163 votes, and Mr. Neale's 102, and declared the former elected.

This decision of the Chair was appealed from, and tellers demanded, but the Chair said that he would entertain no appeal unless 208 voters passed through the tellers. There upon a number of voters left the room.

A point was raised that there having been 208 persons voting, no one had received a majority. This point, like others, was not placed before the meeting.

Mr. George Washington, ward superintendent, entered a protest against the action of the chairman, and the Conservative committee will meet this evening to consider it.

Mr. Latham moved that the delegates be allowed to select their own alternates, which motion was voted down. Some persons saying that they had not understood the motion, it was again put and lost.

There was a great deal of excitement, and much feeling was manifested by both parties, the Neale men claiming that they had been unfairly treated, and robbed of their just victory.

Second Ward.—Theodore H. Ficklin, ward superintendent, called the meeting to order.

On motion, Mr. J. T. Beckham was elected chairman, R. M. Latham secretary, and Messrs. Thomas Leadbeater and George H. Harlow tellers.

Mr. H. Strauss nominated M. B. Harlow, C. E. Stuart, and George L. Simpson for delegates. Mr. George S. Smith nominated G. Frank Kelly, William A. Johnson, and Theophilus Ballenger.

On motion, it was ordered that the polls be kept open for twenty minutes after they were opened.

Mr. George L. Simpson addressed the meeting, advocating the election of S. Chapman Neale, Esq.; also calling the attention of the voters to bogus tickets in circulation.

The ballot was taken, resulting as follows: M. B. Harlow, 129; C. E. Stuart, 131; G. L. Simpson, 131; G. F. Kelly, 69; W. A. Johnson, 71; Theophilus Ballenger, 71.

The three first mentioned were declared elected.

It appearing that an illegal vote had been cast by a colored man for Mr. Neale's delegates, on motion of M. B. Harlow, it was stricken off.

Third Ward.—The meeting here was called to order by J. R. Caton, ward superintendent.

Major K. Kemper was elected chairman, and J. R. Caton and J. J. Doherty secretaries, Edgar Warfield and J. E. Norris were appointed tellers.

The Neale delegates, Messrs. K. Kemper, E. E. Dowdham, A. Scheffler, T. V. Kishner, F. L. Cockett, and James B. Waddy, received 255 votes.

The Hutton delegates, Gen. M. D. Corse, Capt. J. M. Stearns, R. F. Prentiss, K. W. Ballenger, Charles Cox, and Samuel Corwell, received 152 votes, leaving a majority for Neale of 73 votes.

There were large numbers of spurious tickets.

els for Hutton, printed on red paper, to resemble Mr. Neale's tickets.

Fourth Ward.—At the meeting in the fourth ward J. B. Smoot was elected chairman, and E. Fleming Price secretary.

On motion, tellers were appointed as follows: Messrs. Vincent and Henderson for Hutton, and Rudd and Tahafero for Neale.

The voters passed in one door, deposited their ballots in a hat, and passed out of another door.

The polls at this meeting were kept open from 8:15 to 8:50, the ballot resulting in the choice of the Neale delegates, Messrs. Smith, Mushbach, and Paiko receiving 127 votes, Messrs. Leadbeater, Nails, and Johnson, 67 votes; for Hutton, receiving 57 votes. Whole number of votes cast, 184.

Previous to the balloting it was resolved that no bogus tickets be counted.

CITY CONSERVATIVE COMMITTEE.—The Conservative Committee met this evening, and after a long secret session, in the Treasurer's office, repaired to the Council Chamber, and announced the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the chairman of the meeting of the first ward and the two tellers be examined this evening, and that we will adjourn till Tuesday morning next, at ten o'clock, and that no decision be rendered till Mr. Hutton's friends have ample opportunity to testify, and until the opinion of the State committee as to the powers of this committee are ascertained.

One of the tellers being absent, however, no further action was taken, and the committee adjourned until Tuesday morning.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.—The County Board of Supervisors met at the county court house in this city Wednesday.

The school laws were laid in accordance with the rate of tax adopted at the May election.

Various election bills were ordered to be laid.

The regular allowances to county officers were made.

The board adjourned to meet again on the second Wednesday in July, 1878, at which time the county treasurer will settle his accounts for 1877.

CORPORATION COURT.—Judge E. M. Love presiding. Marshall et al vs Taylor et al; in chancery; report of com's. of sale confirmed.

Allen vs McVeigh et al; in chancery; decree directing receiver to collect rents.

Berj Austin vs Arlington Turnpike Co., in chancery; decree for payment of counsel fees. E. S. Jeffrey & Co. vs D. F. Witmer Co., in chancery; decree for payment of funds to claimants.

A retail liquor license was granted to James W. Hammond.

POLICE ITEMS.—The following cases have been tried since yesterday:

Joseph Butler, for obtaining two buckets of blackberries from W. S. Sims, under false pretences, was sent to the Chain Gang for 20 days.

Henry Robinson, colored, charged with stealing a check from Mr. Cowling, was locked up for further examination.

ALEXANDRIA LIGHT INFANTRY.—The Committee on Constitution and By Laws of the new military company, after correspondence with various military organizations, and examining their several constitutions, by law, have, it is understood, concluded to adopt the constitution and by laws of the old Alexandria Greys.

EXCURSIONS.—Attention is called to the notice of day and moonlight excursions on the steamer Mary Washington. It is proposed by the managers to make these excursions the most agreeable of the season, and no drunken or improper persons will be allowed on board the boat. The fare is placed very low.

M. E. CHURCH EXCURSION.—The excursion of the Sunday school of the M. E. church will take place on the steamer City of Alexandria to night. Should the weather prove favorable it will be a most pleasant affair.

THIRD WARD PRIMARY.—We know that the friends of General Hutton bitterly complain of the action of the conservative committee. Now do they endorse the "guerrilla" ticket system practiced in the 3d ward last night. Almost all the voters recorded by General Hutton in that ward were counterfeit presentations of Neale's ticket, gotten up with the intention to deceive the voters. Does this indicate the propriety of the action of the conservative committee? S. Chapman Neale is a tower of strength in this district, and if he is beaten it must be according to Hoyle, and not by the means too often resorted to by those who seek political preferment in the exercise of which means some persons in the 3d ward are adept.

THIRD WARD.

BLINDLY GROPPING for some medicinal alcoholic resultant of physical energy which should take the place of the heady and frequently deleterious stimulants of commerce. The medical practitioners of a quarter of a century ago were electrified on first observing the reviving effects upon the system of a tonic then recently introduced, but which has since become the most popular medicine sold on this continent. Its name is **STIMULANT BITTERS**. Their astonishment and admiration were increased when experience farther disclosed that this tonic remedy effected results which the mineral drugs of the pharmacopoeia often utterly failed to produce, among others, the restoration of the system to vigor, the removal of digestive, secretory and excretory irregularities, and the eradication and prevention of periodic fevers. Speedy recognition of the merits of the Bitters by unprejudiced and enlightened physicians naturally followed this revelation of its remedial effects. It produces rapid and complete cures of Scrofula, Sores, Boils, Humors, Pimples, Eruptions, Skin Diseases and all disorders arising from impurity of the blood. By its invigorating effects it always relieves a feeble constitution, restores vigor and energy. For forty years it has been in extensive use, and is to-day the most available medicine for the suffering sick anywhere. E. S. Leadbeater & Bro., Agents.

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The right to reject bids, in whole or in part, is reserved. F. L. SMITH, Jr., Captain.

BET OF \$1000.—Believing that the Neale delegates were fairly elected in the 1st ward last night, and that the city committee will either decide in his favor or order a new election, I will, in the latter case, bet from \$500 to \$1000 that the Neale delegates will receive a majority of the votes cast.

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Local Privileges.

The twenty-mile boat race between the hosts White Lily, of this city, and Tidal Wave, of Quantico, at the latter place yesterday, was won by the former by four minutes. Time—2 hours, 40 minutes.

Jackson City, at the south end of the Long Bridge, has been sold to Mary P. Geizer, of Washington, who will open a beer garden there.

A GALA DAY.—Yesterday afternoon the Sabbath school attached to Rev. Fields Calk's church held a banquet in the church hall. Addressed were delivered by Revs. Maddox and Robinson, followed by appropriate music from the school. Then came the good things. The smiles which played upon the faces of the children while partaking of the dainties, and the merry laugh which burst upon the summer air when absorbed in their innocent glee, told beyond expression the happiness that reigned within. Much credit is due to the youthful but energetic superintendent, R. E. Tancil, whose labors have raised the school to its present high standing, and whose civility and pleasantry added much to the enjoyment of the occasion.

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Sch J B Johnson, Georgetown, to Hamo and Balt Coal Co. Sch S S Smock, Philadelphia, to Wm A Smoot. Sch C B McShain, Washington, to Wm A Smoot.

CLEARED.

U S tender Heliotrop, Norfolk. Str Lady of the Lake, Norfolk, by F A Reed. Str Express, Baltimore, by J Brothers & Co. Sch W B Meslin, Philadelphia, by W A Smoot. Sch H S Brooks, Boston, by John P Agnew & Co.

Sch H W Foster, Boston, by John P Agnew & Co.

Sch Wm H Travers, Peter-burg, by John P Agnew & Co.

PASSED DOWN.

Schrs Joseph P Baker, Providence; Colin C Baker, Boston; Clara, Jersey City.

MEMORANDA.

Sch W A Pharo, hence, at New York 11th.

Schrs H P Havers, Armada, Richard Hill and Sallie Coursey, Georgetown for New Haven, at New York 11th.

Schrs Three Brothers, Georgetown for New Haven, passed through Hall Gate 11th.

Schrs Jessie W Knight, sailed from New York for Georgetown 11th.

Schrs Abbott Devereux, hence, at Boston 11th.

Schrs N M Skinner and Pelamab, Georgetown, at New York 11th.

Schrs Belle Halliday, Georgetown, at Dighton 9th.

Schrs Stephen Morgan and West Wind, Georgetown, at Baltimore 10th.

Schrs Theodore Dean, Georgetown, at Fall River 9th.

Schrs Daniel Brown, Georgetown, at Fall River 10th.

Schrs Henry Adolbert sailed from Gardiner for Washington 10th.

Schrs S S Dickinson, hence, at New London 10th.

Schrs Oliver Schick 11, hence, at New Haven 10th.

Schrs Laura Robinson, Georgetown for Dover, at Portsmouth 10th.

Schrs S S Simpson, Winsor, N S, for this port, at Vineyard Haven 10th.

CANAL COMMERCE.

Arrived—Boats J J Moore, Belle, C C Kelly and T Tiernan, to George's Creek Coal Co; R Burke, A B Bain and P A Gorman, to Hamp and Balt Coal Co; A K Sykes and Round Top, to Blain Ayon Coal Co; L Regan, to New Central Coal Co; B Miller, to P A Gorman & Co.

Departed—Boats A J Clark, Mattie, A H Agnew, B Resley, J J Moore, T L Batsand Belle, at Portsmouth 10th.

AN UNDENIABLE TRUTH.—You deserve to suffer, and if you lead a miserable, unsatisfactory life in this beautiful world, it is entirely your own fault and there is only one excuse for you,—your unreasonable prejudice and skepticism, which has killed thousands. Personal knowledge and common sense reasoning will show you that Green's August Flower will cure you of Liver Complaint, or Dyspepsia, with all its attendant evils, such as sick headache, indigestion of the food, sour stomach, habitual constiveness, dizziness of the head, nervous prostration, low spirits, &c. Its sales now reach every town on the Western Continent and not a Druggist but will tell you of its wonderful cures. You can buy a Sample Bottle for 10 cents. Three doses will relieve you.

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Foreign News.

THE EASTERN QUESTION.

The session of the congress, yesterday, lasted four hours and fifteen minutes. Lord Baconfield was again absent. The reading of the treaty was completed. Only a few immaterial points are left for settlement on Saturday.—There will be no sitting to-day, in order to allow time for the preparation of copies of the treaty.

It is announced that Russian and Turkish commissioners, to arrange for the evacuation of Shumla and Varna, will leave Constantinople to-day.

An official statement announcing the conclusion of the Anglo Turkish alliance is published in Constantinople. The statement says that England has engaged to pay the Porte \$750,000 yearly, whereas the present revenue of the island of Cyprus is only \$600,000 per annum.

CONSTANTINOPLE, July 11.—Mr. Baring, of the British Legation at Constantinople, took possession of the island of Cyprus to-day in the name of Great Britain.

LONDON, July 12.—From what may be gathered abroad there seems to be no really serious dissatisfaction at the step England has taken regarding Turkey. The score in France about Cyprus is stated to be by no means so great among the general public as among the professional politicians. The Republic Francaise continues watchful, suggesting that the French plenipotentiaries should protest, but the more reflecting papers like the Journal Des Debats and the Temps deprecate an indulgence in irritation against England. The Manchester Guardian's Paris correspondent states positively that M. Waddington, French Minister of Foreign Affairs and plenipotentiary in the Congress, has the strictest guarantees of English respect for French rights in Syria and Constantinople.

The Times Paris correspondent says: "Moderate counsels may for the moment be disregarded, but it may be confidently predicted that as in the case of the Suez canal purchase the present irritation against England will be very short lived."

Regarding the action of the English liberals there is said to be a growing conviction that the front opposition bench in the House of Commons will not hastily give a formal challenge to the Government's policy. A meeting was held yesterday of radicals who desire to urge the liberal chiefs into action, but Lord Hartington, the liberal leader, and his immediate friends, are stated to show no disposition to give way.

Considerable anxiety is excited about Lord Baconfield's illness, since it is known that his private physician has gone to him, but the latest news from Berlin reports that the Premier is better.

A Berlin dispatch to the London Times says: "In consequence of the opposition offered by Prince Gortschakoff the demolition of the fortifications of Batoum has not been made obligatory upon Russia, but is only implied in the designation of Batoum as a commercial port."

The treaty of Berlin is to be printed on parchment and in antique type. Each signatory power will receive a copy signed by all the plenipotentiaries.

LONDON, July 12.—A Vienna dispatch says: "Private advices from Crete assert that a movement is on foot there to ask for an English protectorate over that island as an autonomous State."

A dispatch from Alexandria says: "It is rumored from Massowah, that King Khed has resigned the crown of Abyssinia in favor of King Menelek."

MISCELLANEOUS.

Emperor William's physicians have issued another long statement in regard to his condition. They ascribe His Majesty's relatively slow progress toward recovery to great loss of blood and appetite, to the shock to his system, and to mental depression. His attainable degree of strength is not yet regained. His power of locomotion is small. His hands are helpless, and he cannot eat without assistance. The physicians, however, are confident of his recovery by the influence of time and exercise. The American exhibitors at Paris have obtained more prizes than the citizens of any other country in proportion to their number. In two classes all the exhibitors obtained medals except one. Five or six grand prizes, with a liberal number of gold medals, will be brought to the United States.

The Eighth Congressional District.

COL. R. H. LEE.—Dear Sir:—A number of your friends desire to have you as their next Representative in Congress. Will you agree to have your name before the nominating Convention. If so, we and others would like to have your views on the financial question of the day.

W. G. HARDESTY, A. S. ALLEN, W. M. PAGE, JAS. W. LUKE, JOHN W. LUKE, S. J. C. MOORE, J. J. RILEY, BEN. HARRISON, WM. N. NELSON, NAT. BURWELL, W. A. BRADFORD, DAVID MEADE.

MILWAUKEE, July 3, 1878.

GENTLEMEN.—I am in receipt of your esteemed favor.

In reply to your inquiry, whether I would permit my name to go before the nominating convention as a candidate for Congress from this district, I would say that if it is the desire of a reasonable number of my friends and fellow citizens that I should represent them, I would accept the compliment and allow them to do as they deemed best with my name.—First for the public interest; next for myself.

The subject involved in your second inquiry is a broad and delicate one, and it would be impossible, for me at least, to do justice to it, or myself, in a brief note.

In common with you and others of my countrymen, I feel and mourn the condition of affairs, and especially the financial pressure on our people. If I had no personal interest in the subject of your inquiry, sympathy for them would induce me to exert myself to improve the condition of our people, so far as legislation by Congress can do so, and as the currency, too small for the business of the country and too unequally distributed. This, I hope, will be enough to say in this informal reply, but should you desire, I would be happy at a future day to express my views on the subject and other questions of importance to the people. Very truly, &c.

R. H. LEE.

To Wm. B. Page, John W. Luke and others, enquirers.

The Fredericksburg Bulletin says:—The campaign in the Eighth district is getting to be quite lively.—There are not half as many candidates announced as are announced in some other districts in the State, but those who are before the people appear to be working harder than any we have yet heard from. The principal candidates for the conservative nomination in the Eighth district are Gen. Linton, the present representative, and Mr. S. C. Neale, a talented young lawyer of Alexandria.

Hutton is represented as being very unpopular with his people because of his doing too much in some directions and doing too little in others. Some of his constituents claim that if any one has been benefited by Gen. Hutton's being in Congress it has been the General himself. They now want some one who will look after the interests of the district and see that it gets its share of whatever is to be had, and they believe Mr. Neale is the man who will do this.

He has both energy and ability, and he who

combines the two is the man for the people. It is the impression of those of that district with whom we have conversed that Mr. Neale will get the nomination.